

The Bethel News.

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BETHEL, MAINE, WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 1904.

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WASH GOODS

This is to be a great season for wash dresses, shirt waist suits, etc. The variety of goods is greater than ever this season. In our large stock you find many of this season's prettiest weaves. Now is a good time to make up your summer dresses before the hottest days come.

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NORWAY MAINE.

NORTH NEWRY.

Guests are beginning to arrive with their fishing rods at Poplar Tavern.

Lee Vail saw two of his fingers quite badly at Wight's mill recently.

Mrs. Robinson of Rockland, spent last week with her husband who is staying at the hotel.

A. F. Brooks is moving Mrs. O. Godwin to Paris.

Perley Flint has gone to the Lakes guiding.

J. F. Eames of Rumford Falls, was in town Monday.

All a Mistake.

The Vanessa Dramatic Company of Portland will present a very clever farce comedy entitled "All a Mistake" at Odeon Hall, Friday evening May 20.

The comedy is an amazing series of blunders, and a grand mix-up from beginning to end; the plot, although very transparent, is exceedingly interesting and holds the attention of the audience throughout.

A dance will follow the performance. Seats on sale Monday at G. R. Wiley's drug store. Tickets 25c. Reserved seats 35c. Dance 25c extra.

Congregational Church Notices.

Next Sunday evening, alternating with the Shakespeare evening of last Sunday, the theme of the pastor's discourse will be "Tempests of the Bible," this service at 7.45. Christian Endeavor meeting at 7.00 o'clock; topic, "What Joseph and Benjamin teach about Brotherly Love."

A cordial welcome is extended to all.

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THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Mr. Galah Wheeler of Portland, is in town for a few days. W. B. Rand of Locke's Mills was in the village, Monday.

Mr. W. E. Abbott's parents and sister of West Paris visited him last week.

The Ladies' Aid meets Thursday p. m. with Mrs. Atherton on Railroad street.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Jodrey have gone to North Anson, where they will remain for the summer.

Mr. Geo. E. King who has been enjoying a week's with his family in town, has returned to Cupsuptic.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hastings of Boston, have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Hastings.

The ladies of the W. R. C. are going to give a C supper in the near future, date to be announced later.

Mr. H. B. Chapman of Norway, is in Bethel selling nursery stock and reports that he has taken many orders.

Mr. S. H. Bowler who has been visiting his son E. C. Bowler, for a few days returned to his home in Palermo, yesterday.

R. E. L. Farwell had some fine strawberries last week and, as is his custom, remembered the editor with a sample box.

The Bethel Grammar school base ball team played at Bryant Pond last week: Score 14 to 7 in favor of the Bethel boys.

Mr. A. F. Farwell of Cottage City, Mass., was the guest of his brother R. E. L. Farwell, last week; he returned to his home Monday.

Mrs. Roxanna Patten who makes her home with her son Rev. F. E. Barton went to Alton, last week where she will make a stay with her sister.

Mrs. Althea Whitman of Worcester, Mass., who is visiting her sister, Mrs. G. B. Mills near West Bethel, was in this village Saturday.

The Narten family have all been in California, resting and recuperating from the severe strain of having two boys dangerously ill with typhoid at Williams College in the early winter.

Mr. G. A. Hastings and D. R. Hastings of Auburn started Saturday for Oregon where they will visit Mr. Hastings' son Herbert who is in charge of valuable real estate which the Hastings purchased last fall.

In the case of Emma Robertson Admx. vs. Grand Trunk Ry. Co. for causing the death of her husband Fred H. Robertson, an engineer, at Gorham, in March, 1901, which was tried in Lancaster at the last session of the Supreme Judicial Court, the jury disagreed.

Dr. R. G. Wiley met with an accident last week, falling and injuring his hip. As Dr. Wiley is ninety-seven years of age, it will take him some time to rally from the effects of the fall, but a speedy improvement as possible is hoped for by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

Mr. Strobel has arrived in Bangkok. Bits of travel from the Red Sea and Ceylon come back to Bethel friends. Madame Strobel and Mrs. Hemphill and sons are in Chester, S. C., from which place they send to their New England friends exasperating mention of their home embowered in wisteria and yellow jasmine, with peonies in full blossom and roses in bud.

A few of the many friends of Miss Mona Martin enjoyed a masquerade party at her temporary home on High Street, last Saturday afternoon. The stable chamber was turned into an amusement hall, and singing, dancing and games filled the hours with merriment. The costumes, all deserve mention, and showed the interest the grown-ups had taken in the little 'ones' pleasure. Mrs. Bert Young, Mrs. Gerald Smith and Mrs. Martin acted as patronesses. A treat of peanuts and candy was served at intermission.

Miss Sadie Mason is confined to her home by illness.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Burke were in Portland Saturday.

Mr. Nathan Bean is confined to his home by lameness.

Mrs. Eleonora B. Lord of Prospect Inn is in Portland.

Mr. Earl Barker is again employed at A. C. Frost's blacksmith shop.

Mrs. C. C. Farwell has returned from the Hospital in Lewiston, much improved in health.

Mrs. Lord and daughter of Yarmouth are visiting Mrs. Lord's sister Mrs. W. B. Kendall.

Mr. Earl Nelson principal of the Buckfield High School visited his brother Mr. John E. Nelson last Sunday.

H. M. Farwell, W. E. Abbott, Will Gunther, and Ned Carter were in Lewiston last Saturday on business.

A. W. Grover has a fine grade Durham cow for sale with a half Jersey heifer calf three days old by her side.

C. C. and H. M. Farwell have purchased the Briggs farm in Albany and will cut and haul the wood and timber.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. Gleason Thursday afternoon. Important business calls for the attendance of the members.

The missionary auxiliaries connected with the Congregational church will hold the annual meeting at the home of Mrs. Ceylon Rowe, Friday afternoon at three o'clock.

An auction sale of household goods belonging to Mrs. S. P. Chapman will be held Saturday afternoon at the home of Edward Arno on Mechanic street.

Cards have been received announcing the marriage of Howard Wiley and May Lawson, the wedding taking place May 4 in Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Wiley will be in Bethel until June 1. Mr. Wiley's friends extend congratulations.

Mr. H. I. Bean will sell at public auction at Hunt's Corner, Albany Thursday May 19 his residence, three parcels of lands, household furnishings, sporting goods and farming tools. No postponement on account of weather. There is a large amount of goods to be sold.

A letter from Judge A. E. Herrick from Rome says that both he and Mrs. Herrick are well and enjoying the city much. They were fortunate in having good positions at the time of the recent visit of the President of France to that city, and saw both the President and the King of Italy who received him with magnificent military display. Although visiting on Sunday, Judge Herrick said it seemed like the middle day of a "County fair." Mr. and Mrs. Herrick are at present in Florence.

Still another honor has come to a Maine college; this time it is Bates who won in the debate with Vermont University. This is Vermont's first defeat which affords Bates a justifiable opportunity to wear her honors with pride, and she can still say she has never yet lost in debate with any college. This added to the Bowdoin victory with Amherst, and the opinion of the judges that Edwin LaForest Harvey, our own Bethel boy, was the star debater, makes us proud of our town and State.

Cummings—Baker.

Mr. S. Edson Cummings of Bethel and Miss Mabel E. Baker of Albany were united in marriage April 18, 1903, by Rev. F. C. Potter. The bride was gowned very daintily in white lawn over pale blue, trimmed with lace and ribbon.

About ten days later, in spite of the rain that fell incessantly, about thirty friends gathered at their home, which was formerly owned by the late Randall Cummings, where they will reside for the future. A nice treat was served and a fine time was enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Cummings were the recipients of many beautiful and useful presents, and their friends wish them a long and happy life.

BASE BALL.

Gould's, 9; Gorham High, 4.

On Saturday April 30, the boys of Gould's crossed bats with the boys of Gorham High. Gould's opened the game with but three of her last year's players, Brooks, Blanchard and Purington, but was after the game from the start as was evident from the way the boys drove out the hits. The feature of the game was the little or no "kicking" which generally accompanies a ball game. The Gorham boys were handicapped by not being able to locate Brooks' curves and some "hard luck" errors. A goodly number of the students attended the game and loyally supported their team. This is the spirit which encourages and strengthens a team.

In the evening a social was enjoyed by both teams and their friends.

SCORE.

	AB	R	IB	PO	A	E
Gould's.	7	0	1	5	0	0
Mason, C.	7	0	4	2	7	0
Brooks, P.	5	0	1	3	1	0
Purington, S. S.	7	2	1	0	2	1
Blanchard, 2 b.	5	2	3	0	0	1
Pettengill, C. F.	5	1	3	0	0	1
Young, R. F.	6	1	2	1	0	1
Peveley, L. E.	7	2	2	1	2	0
Carter, 3 b.	5	1	2	15	0	3
Erskine, 1 b.	5	1	9	10	27	12
	54	9	10	27	12	4

	AB	R	IB	PO	A	E
Gorham High.	4	1	2	3	2	3
Kramer, 3 b.	5	0	1	1	1	2
Duby, 2 b.	5	0	0	1	5	0
Hayden, P. P.	4	0	1	0	1	1
Pillsbury, S. S.	5	1	1	13	0	0
Casey, 1 b.	4	0	0	0	0	1
Fogg, C. F.	4	1	1	1	0	1
Wilson, L. F.	4	1	0	0	0	0
Stahl, R. F.	4	0	0	8	1	0
Clement, C.	30	4	6	27	10	8

Gould's played her second game of ball with West Bethel, last Saturday. The playing was very loose on both sides and after about two hours and a half of playing, ended with a score of 28-25 in favor of West Bethel. Purington and Brooks were the battery for Gould's.

Teachers' Convention.

The Oxford County Teachers' Association will hold its annual meeting on May 13 and 14 at Oxford. A program has been prepared of special interest to all grades of common and High school work. The Friday evening public addresses will be delivered upon live topics, by such able speakers as Hon. W. W. Stetson and Supt. Payson Smith; Wm. L. Powers of Gardiner, secretary of the Maine Ornithological society, will give an illustrated lecture on some phase of bird life at one of the day sessions.

Members of the association situated on points of the Portland & Rumford Falls line, will be sold single fare tickets for the round trip—tickets good to return until last train on the 16th.

Owing to the fact that Oxford people largely work in the mill, by families, it has been thought best by the executive committee to arrange with the hotels for the entertainment of the association members. Rates at the Lakeview are thirty-five cents per meal, with lodging at fifty cents. This house has recently changed proprietors, and under the new management is not fully equipped to carry a large number of lodgers; but the Spring House is prepared to handle the overflow in first-class style. Lodgings at the latter will cost seventy-five cents.

The Grand Trunk will grant reduced rates. Stage fare from Oxford depot to the village and return will cost twenty-five cents. This is half rate.

Superintendents and school officials are earnestly urged to send word regarding the number which may be expected from the various points in the county, several days in advance. Address all communications to Ernest H. Pratt, Oxford, Maine.

Notice.

A meeting of the Bethel Local Telephone Company will be held at the office of H. H. Hastings Saturday afternoon, at four o'clock. It is very important that a quorum be present.

Per Order,
Dan Smith.

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BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers, will be published in this column at eight cents per line, reckoning six words to the line.

At E. E. Burnham's is the place to find the very latest fads in neckwear.

The Louvre glove for 90 cents at E. E. Burnham's.

Commencement Week.

The Commencement exercises of Gould's Academy will begin with the baccalaureate sermon at the Congregational church, by Rev. Mr. Barton, May 29th. The class numbers twelve, two having been obliged to drop out. Parts for Commencement have been assigned as follows: Miss Margaret Whidden, valedictory; Mr. Wm. C. Brooks, salutatory; Miss Helen Bisbee, prophecy; Miss Ada Richardson, Hanover, history; Miss Agnes L. Barton, address to undergraduates; Mr. Harry W. Purington, oration; Miss Nina F. Bean, Albany, presentation of class gift; Miss Edith R. Hastings, presentation of gifts to class; Miss Mary L. Carter, class ode; essays, Miss Gladys R. Wiley, Miss Gwendolyn I. Stearns and Miss Edna Stearns of Milan, N. H.

Graduation exercises will take place in Odeon hall, Thursday p. m., June 2. Music will be furnished by Payne and Plummer's orchestra, which is so popular with Bethel audiences. The concert will be given Thursday evening and the following talent which has been secured assures a rare treat: Lotus Male Quartette with Miss Elsie L. Livermore of Portland as reader, Miss Lillian Pearce of Auburn, soprano soloist, and Mr. Frank Holding violinist. Five hundred invitations have been sent out for the alumni dinner which will be served at Prospect Inn, Friday p. m. to be accompanied with toasts and addresses. Friday evening the reception will be held in Odeon Hall; Payne and Plummer's orchestra will be in attendance.

The class gift to the Academy this year will be a large foreign photograph of the Roman Forum, 26x44 in size, in a heavy quartered oak frame.

Memorial Exercises.

All Sons of Veterans are requested to meet at Volunteer Hose House Hall on Saturday evening, May 14, at seven o'clock, for the purpose of choosing a captain and other necessary officers, and to make arrangements for the observance of Memorial Sunday and Memorial Day. A committee from Brown Post and the Woman's Relief Corps will be in attendance.

Oxford Co. Old Ladies' Home Supper.

Another supper and right in the midst of housecleaning? Yes, but this is something new and we are sure it will appeal to you all, not only because the ladies of all the parishes are to cook it but it is for a most worthy object—The Old Ladies' Home in Norway. This home is no local affair but is open to any woman in Oxford County who merits admittance and is no object of charity as the term is generally used, but the privilege is given to each one of us to help bring to a successful fulfillment the plans that the trustees and managers have made.

To purchase the property required funds and to get it started on a firm basis will need more and we as ladies of Bethel are asked to give a union supper as a benefit. Committees will be chosen from the three parishes and a supper will be served in the dining room of Garand Chapel Thursday May 19 at six o'clock; usual prices. Further announcement in next issue of the Bethel News. In the mean time learn all you can concerning this Home which is to afford so much of comfort and cheer and you will find your enthusiasm increased in proportion to your knowledge of its needs.

STANDING OF CONTESTANTS.

Harry Purington, Bethel,	6085
Lyman Wheeler, Bethel,	5029
Gottward Carlson, Bethel,	3730
Miss Ethel Allen, West Bethel,	2589

Watches.

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Owing to a mistaken impression which seems to have gained credence I wish to announce to the public that the rates at Prospect Inn are \$2.00 per day American plan. Our rates to transient guests have not within a year past been in excess of the amount stated above.

Yours truly,

CHARLES H. GATES

Manager.

Prospect Inn, Bethel, Maine,

April 25, 1904. 3w49

Notice.

At the meeting of the Village Improvement Association Tuesday evening, it was voted to adjourn to Wednesday evening, May 11, at 7.30 o'clock, at Gould's Academy. All officers and members of the Association are requested to be present on that date.

Per order

THE SECRETARY.

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DEC. 1, 1904.

Art Pottery Manufacture in operation.
Decorative Sculpture cost \$500,000.

Time Table in Effect Oct. 4, 1903.

TRAINS GOING EAST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Island Pond, leave,	1.45	3.15
Gorham,	4.00	3.20
Gilead,	4.25	3.38
West Bethel,	4.38	3.47
BETHEL, arrive,	4.45	3.53
Lockes Mills,	5.00	4.00
Bryant Pond,	5.05	4.10
South Paris,	5.36	4.30
Lewiston,	6.40	10.30
Portland, arrive,	7.30	11.15
Boston, via rail,	12.45	4.10

TRAINS GOING WEST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Portland, leave,	1.30	7.50
Lewiston,	9.00	2.30
South Paris,	10.00	3.38
Bryant Pond,	10.28	4.15
Lockes Mills,	10.35	4.18
BETHEL, arrive,	10.46	4.32
West Bethel,	10.54	4.42
Gilead,	11.05	4.54
Gorham,	11.30	5.20

Island Pond, 1.30 | 7.50 || Montreal, | 6.50 | 7.20 |
| Toronto, | 7.15 | 4.50 |
| Chicago, | 8.45 | 7.20 |

The train leaving Bethel at 4.45 A. M.,
East and 9.37 P. M., West, runs every
day; all others every day except Sunday.
Sunday paper train leaves Portland at
7.30 A. M., arriving at Bethel 10.12 A. M.,
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CHAPTER XII

STORM-CLOUDS AND LEADEN RAIN.

The dragons, with reinforced ranks, were conducted towards the rebel camp by Sandy McGregor, who took a circuitous path after leaving Danforth's house, in order to avoid the scouts. Their way led through a beautiful valley, formed by a tributary of the Tallulah river, which ran through the centre. The alluvial soil on either bank was generally covered with lofty pines, rising in beautiful opposition to the bright gray mountains, while jagged masses of rock lay on every hand. In some places, groups of laurels, of the most beautiful forms, rose from the water-side, huge clusters of their flowers mingling with the dark green foliage. This scenery continued varying until the mountains almost closed, with rocks of a very picturesque shape, while the stream, deeper and darker, rushed along with increased force.

It was a stirring sight to see the dragons thread this beautiful path, advancing in brilliant column, like a gigantic serpent winding among the trees. Captain Foster rode at the head of the column, in all the panoply of military pride, keeping a close watch upon the guide. The chance of his promotion was his leading thought, nor did he care whether he advanced by the retirement of Trevor, or by success in capturing the "Sharpshooters." All the men were in high spirits, moving forward with that dogged determination which attends military enterprise. Soon they turned from the river, and began to ascend a narrow defile, overhung by high, rocky crags, where only one could ride. At last, the pathway became so difficult, that Sandy said:

"You must dismount, captain."

"Scoundrel!" exclaimed Captain Foster, "you have deceived us."

"No, no! By a' the saints I swear that this path leads till the place."

"Go on then," replied the captain, drawing a pistol, "but if I discover any shade of treachery on your part, you will die the death of a dog."

"I'm ready then," was the young man's reply, and dismounting, he kept on, leading his horse. "Keep canny though, and dinna make a noise."

The column moved on as rapidly as the nature of the pathway permitted, but made slow progress. The sky had meanwhile grown lowering, and now large drops of rain fell heavily upon the leaves. A few moments more, and the storm came pouring down in torrents, as if the very flood-gates of heaven had been opened overhead.

The wind, with mournful yet impressive voice, resounded through the dark forest, carrying desolation in its path. As the column slowly advanced, a tall and gigantic cedar, not ten feet before Captain Foster, fell with a tremendous crash, hurling in its way to the ground, several young pines. It was now difficult to advance, as the tree had fallen directly in their path, and the underwood, on either side, was so thick as scarcely to admit the possibility of the dragons making their way through it. Yet at length this was effected, and they proceeded on their way.

"Are you sure you are in the path?"

was Captain Foster's frequent question to Sandy McGregor, and the answer was always in the affirmative. Every moment, however, the peril of their situation became greater, filling the minds of the dragons with superstitious fears. The noise of the falling trees, which were heard in every direction—the deep and awful peals of thunder, at brief intervals breaking on the ear—the mighty groaning of the whole forest around, filled the lightest hearts with solemn thoughts. On they went, following the irregular path, which was often almost impassable, until they reached an old, deserted log-cabin.

"Over that hill," said Sandy McGregor, in a triumphant voice, "is the camp."

"If it is," remarked Captain Foster, "you shall have a guinea for your trouble." Then reining in his steed, he commanded:

"Slacken pace on the right. Close up! Close up smartly. Halt! Now, lads, look to the priming of your pistols, loosen your sabres, and we will see what these hunting-shirt boys are made of. Forward!"

Heading the column, he spurred his jaded steed to the summit of the hill, and there, as we have previously described it, was the rendezvous of the "Sharpshooters." But every hut and bivouac was now a heap of smouldering ashes, and not a living form was visible.

To explain this, we must go back a few hours. Sergeant Jones (who had been sent ahead by Danforth), had reached that worthy's house just in time to see Rupert Loudon leave for the "Stronghold," but had no knowledge of the fact that the young man was a prisoner. Positive that there was treason going on, he waited until he saw the dragons leave, and feeling assured of their destination, he took the direct path by which he reached the camp long before them.

"All up! all up!" he shouted, as he entered the open space in front of the bivouacs. "The British will be here in less than half an hour. Where is Adjutant Lydston?"

"Here," said that officer. "How is Danforth, and has he succeeded?"

"Well, and first rate."

"Did you meet Major Loudon?" continued Lydston. "He was here this morning, and I don't know where he went."

"It's lucky he's not here now," said Jones, in a hissing tone of scorn. "I should feel tempted to strike at his heart with my hunting-knife, as he struck at yours."

"At mine?"

"Yes, yes. His jealous foreign blood, fearing that you'd cut him out with Miss 'Rora Maxwell, prompted him to stab you."

"Impossible!"

"But Sandy McGregor saw him."

"If the whole battalion saw him I would not care," said Lydston. "Major Loudon is too honorable a man to do a mean act."

"You do not believe, then," sarcastically observed Jones, "that he has been in constant communication with the enemy?"

"No, I believe no such thing."

"But I tell you it's true. More than all, he was at Danforth's not two hours ago, planning with them, and starting them on the rocky run. What am I about, though! Listen, adjutant, and forget that soft-handed Tory. You are to pack off to the falls everything that can be carried, then set fire to the shanties and take to the woods."

"Now, boys," shouted Lydston, "be lively, and get your traps off. Some of you take axes and split up some light wood, for the rain will soon be here, and green boughs when wet, burn slowly."

Every one fell to work with great industry, the invalids forgetting their wounds in their desire to get clear before the arrival of the dragons. Soon everything was removed from the huts and bivouacs, and then, one after another, fire was applied to them. Constructed of dry limbs and pine boughs, they blazed up in an instant.

"Now," commanded Lydston, as the party congregated before their burning shelters, "let us take to the woods, and rendezvous on the hill behind Danforth's, in an hour. Meanwhile Sergeant Jones will hurry back to rejoin Danforth, and inform him what has been done. It will soon rain, boys, so pick out some large evergreens for shelter, and mind that your powder don't keep damp."

A cheer greeted this order, and the hardy backwoodsmen separated in small groups, until only Lydston and Jones were left on the field.

"Sergeant," said Lydston, as they rode off together, "you surely must be in error. The more I think of what you said, the more I feel assured that Major Loudon cannot have played the part of a traitor."

"And the more you miss it."

"But is there no mistake?"

"None!"

"Would not Miss Maxwell have informed us, though?"

"There's the only rub. Miss 'Rora's mighty cute, but I suppose he's pulled wool over her eyes, as he did over yours. Here's the cross trail, though, and I'm going to cut across to meet Danforth. Now, if you will take my advice, get the men together and take a rest in that cut beyond Danforth's house, till, say—when the moon rises. Then try and draw the Britishers into an ambush, and when they are there, why, pepper 'em."

"A capital plan, sergeant. Why, you are fit to be a major general. Morgan himself could not have arranged a better stratagem."

"Never mind," growled the old hunter, as he rode away, "but I can keep from telling the British where we are. O, the rascal!"

To return to the camp. So unexpected to the dragons was the condition in which they found affairs, that on arriving among the smoking ruins they sat immovable upon their horses, gazing in astonishment. Here was the camp, or rather the site of the camp, but where were its occupants?

"Attention! Form square! Dismount!" commanded Captain Foster; and then, leaving his orderly in command, he called the other officers.

"Let us ride about these burning piles," said he, "and see if we can find any traces of these fellows. They might have left us a shelter, if they could not give us their company."

"What says our guide?" asked one of the lieutenants.

Sandy McGregor was brought to the front, where he was examined, and after a brief consultation it was resolved to march at once to Danforth's. Here, if the enemy had not destroyed the buildings, there was shelter for the men and food for the horses. In case of attack, too, it was on the way to the "Stronghold," where a stand could be made. So, mounting, the wet and disheartened troops moved slowly on to the farm house, where the order to "bivouac" was hailed with a cheer.

In a few moments fires were lighted, and the troopers crowded around them to dry their saturated uniforms, while their horses enjoyed the golden-colored contents of the well-filled corn cribs. The officers, who took possession of the house, found an abundance of good cheer in the cupboards, and huge fires roared in the large, open fire places, casting a genial warmth on the discomfited leaders. But they were ill at ease.

"Trevor," said Captain Foster, after looking at the now smoking men, "I have half a mind to start for Maxwell's now."

"I wish you had kept on without stopping here, for I do not like this quiet possession. It seems to me like a regular Yankee trick, or else

we should have felt some of their pewter arguments—round and cool."

"At any rate, when the moon rises at midnight, I shall set out. It will be lighter then than now, and the men will be refreshed. Meanwhile, I will have flank guards posted, who will patrol around the camp."

A few hours afterwards, and all were wrapped in slumber, save the guards who kept a careful watch, and the officers, grouped around a blazing fire. A shot brought all to their feet, nor had its echoes died away ere every man was at the side of his horse, ready to mount at the word. The saddles had not been removed, and the men had slept without taking off their accoutrements, so that at the bugle sound to "horse," the ranks were formed as if by an electric shock—so sudden, so simultaneous was the movement.

The quick tread of the guard from the direction in which the shot had been fired now approached the house. Captain Foster rode up to it and hastily asked:

"What was that shot?"

"A ride ball, captain," replied the corporal of the guard, saluting. "We had a small fire, with a little tin mug of toddy on it, to keep the cold out. All at once—pop—over went the mug, and a voice shouted: 'Spilled your liquor.' We at once moved into the wood, but soon heard a large number of voices, so returned to report."

"Gentlemen," said Captain Foster, riding back to the house, where his officers were ready to mount their horses, "I fear that an enemy is lurking in the woods around us, and as the moon is risen, shall endeavor to return to the 'Stronghold.' Need I impress upon you the necessity of keeping the ranks closed up, and being ever on the alert?"

The line was formed, and they set out on their march, though not with very cheerful hearts. There was not a man who would not have rather rejoiced at an open contest, but what was called "bush-fighting" was little to their minds. It was a bright moonlight night, but the deep shadows made the suspicious fearful that the foe was lurking in every clump of bushes. No one spoke, and the very horses appeared to move with a more cautious tread than usual.

For some time there was nothing to obstruct the advance of the column, but soon the forest grew more dense, and the road led into a dense thicket, with a high crag on either side.

Captain Foster," said the sergeant of the advance guard, riding back, "I fear that there is an ambush on ahead. There is some one hid among those rocks on the right, or I am mistaken."

"Take four extra files, then, and charge into the bushes. Forward, men, forward!"

Ere the words had fairly been spoken, the red glare of powder lit up the crags on either side, and a rapid discharge of rifle-shots whistled about the dragons.

"Steady, men! Forward!" cried Captain Foster, pressing his charger to a more rapid pace, while his troops gave a cheer of defiance in reply to the yells which rang out on either side. A few moments' brisk gallop and an open space was reached, where the command was halted, and Captain Foster found, with joyful surprise, that no one was seriously wounded, the obscurity of the night having prevented accuracy of aim.

"Now, by St. George," said Captain Trevor, "I hope we can go back and settle with those rascals. I am sure there are not twenty of them in all, and a flanking party on either side would soon stop their ball practice, bad as it is."

Prudence dictated a different course to the commander of the party, but as all agreed that the number must be small, judging from the shot fired, his pride revolted at the idea of taking flight from so inglorious a foe. The firing was now resumed from the skirts of the wood on either hand, and falcon to the rear, two parties were sent to dislodge the assailants, while the main body of the dragons moved back towards the defile. On they went, but when within about twenty yards of the woods, a regular force moved out from among the trees, barring the way.

"Deploy into line!" shouted Captain Trevor, forgetting in his excitement that he was not in command. A more fatal order could not have been given, for as the dragons thus presented their entire front to the enemy, every rifle was discharged with a rattling, stunning report.

"Forward! forward!" burst from Trevor, as maddened with excitement he spurred his charger towards the wood, followed by a portion of the dragons. But when the smoke cleared away no enemy was to be seen. A loud note of recall arrested their progress, and on retracing their steps a sad sight met their eyes. At least half of the horses had been mortally wounded, and were staggering wildly about, or lying in the agonies of death. Their riders were more fortunate, for their assailants in pulling the hard triggers of the government arms, had depressed their aim; but many had received serious wounds.

"Attention!" cried Captain Foster. "Remember that I am in command here, and do not stir without an order from me. It is now clear that the men armed at Augusta have arrived, and had we halted in the defile this reserve force would have cut us off. We will now form in column and push on for the 'Stronghold,' which cannot be very far distant. Fall in, briskly, men!"

The command was obeyed with alacrity, those who had lost their horses placing themselves in the centre, and again the line of march was resumed. But the moment they again entered the woods there was another volley, and this time the riders sug-

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At length, weary and dispirited, the survivors reached the lane leading to the "Stronghold," where their pursuers halted. They had left a few of their number to attend to their wounded foes, and now, as they rallied round their leader, they gave three long cheers, while Yankee Doodle from their bugles rang merrily through the woods. The fugitive dragons never forgot that tune.

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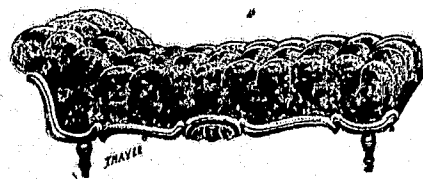
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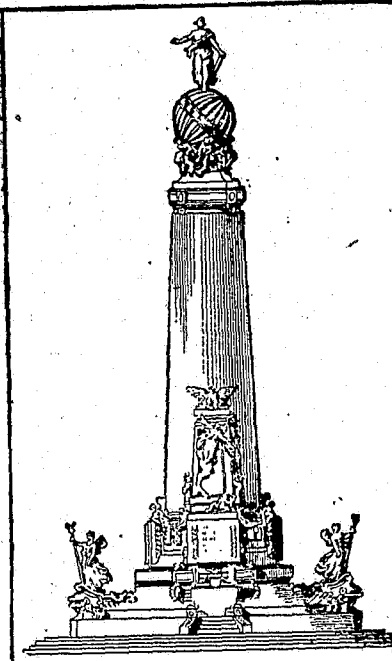
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Across the aisle, at the right, is the exhibit of the new Department of Commerce and Labor, occupying 1,900 square feet. This exhibit shows what the new executive department stands for and what it is accomplishing. Mr. Carroll D. Wright, United States Commissioner of Labor, had charge of the preparation of the exhibit. Charts arranged by him, showing the rapid growth of the nation in agriculture, arts, manufacture, population, etc., are of special interest to sociologists and all students of the labor problem. The Census Bureau exhibit is made in this section. It shows the tabulating machines used in compiling the census reports. The Lighthouse Board, also operating under this department, shows the great revolving lenses in light houses, with other interesting appliances.

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The next exhibit on the right hand side of the central aisle is that of the Interior Department, occupying 11,702 square feet. In this large space the visitor finds so many things of compelling interest that he is loath to leave. The Patent Office exhibit belongs to this section. There are models of many machines that have borne an important part in the development of the nation's industries. The earliest form of every device of human invention, so far as possible, is shown here. For instance, you may see the actual sewing machine that was the first contrivance of its kind ever constructed. It was patented in 1846 by Elias Howe. The first typewriter, patented by C. Thurber in 1842; the model of the first cast iron plow, patented by Charles Newbold in 1797; the first screw propeller, invented by Robert Fulton in 1808; and many other "first" things are to be seen. The model of Abraham Lincoln's celebrated device for lifting steamboats off shoals is shown here. The first harvesting machine, made in the year 1800 B. C., is one of the most ancient exhibits at the Exposition. There is also a model of the first steam engine, made in Egypt in the same year.

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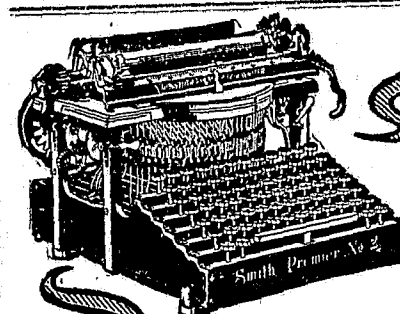
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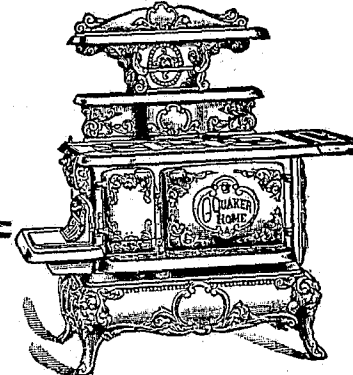
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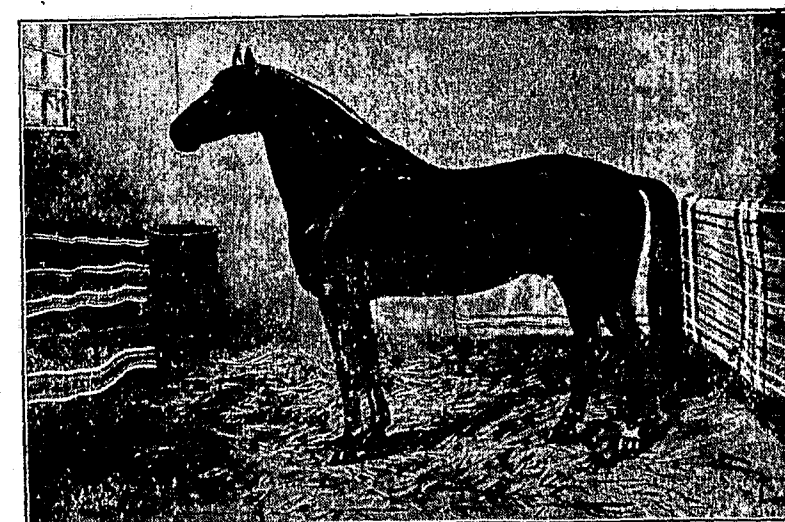
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After commenting briefly on the speeches of Cockran, Daltzell and Williams, Littlefield is disposed of as follows:

It remains to speak of Littlefield, the fourth voice in this remarkable quartet which furnished music and drama to a Congress that had been all cacophony and snore and which redeemed a paralyzed session from the contempt of man.

Tall and straight as a pine tree of his native State; strongly built as the woodsmen of the Rangeley Lakes, with not an ounce of superfluous flesh; with the long face and jutting chin that mark the Yankee; the eye of an eagle, and the voice of an ocean storm off the coast of Maine, Littlefield was New England incarnate as he faced the mellow-voiced, liquid spoken planter from Mississippi in the last hours of the debate.

Aggressiveness and pugnacity seem to surround the man as he rises, and before he has said a word. His gestures would be ungraceful if anybody else used them, but they so fit in with his character that they seem exactly right, and as if anything else would be inadequate to the rough and stormy nature of the man. He gesticulates chiefly with his head, beating down the air with it as he brings out his points. Then he takes his hands out of his trousers pocket and swings it through the air with the motion of a man sweeping everything out of the way before him. When he raises his forefinger it is not with the argumentative manner of a man discussing a proposition, but as if it were a weapon with which he would cleave the skull of any one so rash as to get in the way.

If this suggests that Littlefield is a swashbuckler or a rantier it conveys an error. He is a great constitutional lawyer, a man of breadth and profundity, sagacious, clear-headed, and liberal. These qualities are generally associated with softness of manner and reserve. Littlefield is a broad-minded man who is also a fighter; he is a compound of Hoar and Tillman. There is no dissent on either the Republican or the Democratic side from the proposition that he is one of the cleverest thinkers and ablest men who have ever sat in either branch of the American Congress.

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Instead of being knocked out of public life by this daring performance—daring on the part of a



HON. CHARLES H. PRESCOTT.

Charles H. Prescott who is second at least among the gubernatorial candidates, was born in Barnstead, N. H., Aug. 3, 1857, his parents moving to Wells the same year. While he is a thorough business man, being editor of the Biddeford Daily Journal, president of the Biddeford and Saco railway, director of the First National Bank of Biddeford and trustee of the York County Savings Bank, it is in politics that Col. Prescott is best known outside his own county. Few men in the State have a wider acquaintance than he. He has served in both branches of the Legislature, was on Governor Cleaves' staff two terms and is now serving a second term in Governor Hill's council, of which body he is chairman. When elected to the Legislature in 1888 he was the youngest member of that body. His wide business experience and his service in House, Senate and on the Governor's staff and cabinet, would insure a wise and businesslike administration of public affairs. He is strictly temperate, an all-around "good fellow," with a pleasing personality, a keen sense of humor and a care for the feelings and welfare of those with whom he comes in contact; a man of sterling worth, and if called to the executive chair will make Maine a good governor.

new Congressman—Littlefield stepped with that speech into the front rank of the House, new though he was, and almost impossible as that feat is to a new man. It was the strongest argument from the standpoint of constitutional law that had been heard in Congress for many a day; far and away the greatest speech of that session.

Then came President McKinley's bill for a tariff with Porto Rico. The new Congressman stood out against the White House influence and the lash of the House machine, while other protestants were meekly swallowing their words. He and McCall of Massachusetts, a man of the Hoar type, delivered two really great speeches in defiance of their party, and Littlefield pounded the air with his head and beat it with his finger in his dogmatic way as he sent this opening sentence at the Republican leaders like a bullet from a gun:—

"Mr. Chairman: I believe that the pending bill is un-Republican, un-American, unwarranted, unprecedented and unconstitutional." Again he fought his party on the Cuban Reciprocity bill, solely because he believed it wrong. There are no beet-sugar factories in his district and nobody could slur him by the epithet, "beet-sugar Republican."

The course that the chronic, insurgent runs in Congress is generally swift and to a painful goal. But with every fresh insurrection Littlefield rose higher and higher, because his splendid ability and commanding power received fresh illustration with each. The Republican triumvirate growled and muttered and looked on his progress with dismay, but there was nothing that could be done. All the old home remedies, all the approved and time-sanctioned methods of dealing with insurgents by the House grandmothers, all the good, old-fashioned punishments that mother used to make fall in the presence of such an uncommon man.

There is a big future before this big-bodied, big-brained man. His colleagues know it, and though there are four Representatives and two Senators from the Pine Tree State, Littlefield alone bears, by general consent, that illustrious and significant title which was borne first by Blaine and then by Reed, but by no one else—"the Man from Maine."

ALBANY—VALLEY ROAD.

Mr. Albion Cummings is having a vacation from his work on the railroad in Massachusetts.

Bessie Sloan is gaining in health.

Mr. Harry Sawin and wife were at her old home Sunday.

Mr. Harry Brown is boarding at G. E. Grover's.

The L. R. T. Club will give a dance at the town house next Thursday evening.

Mrs. Inman has recovered from an attack of the grip. Mr. Inman has returned from Walker's Mills.

Mr. Wellington Bird has been in town.

Mr. H. I. Bean will sell his real estate, household goods and farming implement at auction the 19th.

Mr. John Kimball stuck a bolt hook in his knee recently. He is not yet able to work.

Hazel Kimball entertained the Circle last week.

Mrs. G. E. Grover visited at J. B. Barnett's at East Stoneham recently.

Mrs. C. A. Grover visited Mrs. Judith Grover Seavy at Bethel recently.

Mr. Fred Hazelton and wife visited their aunt, Mrs. Alton Fernald, last week.

Quite a lot of grafting is being done.

Rev. Mr. Wilson of Abington, Mass., preached at North Waterford and East Stoneham last Sunday.

The leap year ball was a great success.

R. M. Club met with Mrs. F. H. Wardwell the 9th.

Viola Cummings is in Bethel, sewing for Mrs. Jodrey.

EAST BETHEL

Miss Mattie Tubbs of Paris, visited friends her last week.

Mr. Frank Knight of Woodstock, has hired Eugene Bean's farm and is moving here.

Mr. C. C. Kimball of Milan, N. H., is working with his horses for Z. W. Bartlett at his mill in Rumford.

A large forest fire was caused by the burning of a brush heap on the land of Stephen Foster last Saturday. A quantity of wood and timber was destroyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Trask are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a daughter to their home Sunday, May 8.

News' Excursion

TO THE

St. Louis Exposition

AND

NIAGARA FALLS

Several will go as Guests of Honor and at our Expense, Others at Rock Bottom Prices.

The News proposes to conduct an Excursion to the St. Louis Exposition early in the summer, to accommodate such young people from this section as desire to attend that Exposition, which will be the greatest exposition that the world has ever seen or will be likely to see for many years to come. We have heard many young people express a desire to go to St. Louis, which fact has prompted the arrangement for this Excursion, not as a money-making scheme, but in order to secure to all the advantage of such excursion rates as may be obtainable. The editor, Mr. E. C. Bowler, who will personally conduct the party, will visit the Exposition during the month of May at which time he will secure the lowest possible rates for the party, which he will take a few weeks later. And now as to

Those Who Are To Go Free.

Yes, several of this party will go absolutely free as far as necessary expenses are concerned. We shall pay their railroad fares, Pullman service, hotel bills and fares into the Exposition, so that their only expense will be what they may choose to spend. Just who these fortunate ones will be, will be determined by a

VOTING CONTEST

Not a voting contest like most voting contests in which one wins and all the others lose, but a contest in which all who work win.

In all contests some one has to be second, another third and so on; each of these may have worked just as hard as the first, but they get no reward. Notice the different St. Louis Contests running in the papers at the present time. In many cases there are scores in the fight, but in all cases, one will go and all the others will be disappointed.

OUR PLAN.

Ours will be a Voting Contest just the same as the others, but will differ in the respect that each and every person who gets 16,000 votes will go at our expense. There is no limit as to field. People in the County or outside the County may enter. Any desiring to go under this proposition should enter their names at once before their friends have pledged their support to some one else. Votes will be counted according to the following schedule:

SCHEDULE FOR COUNTING.

	Votes.
1. Each paper will contain a Coupon which when properly filled out and returned to us will count.....	1
2. Each dollar paid on new subscriptions will count.....	100
3. Each dollar paid on renewals by present subscribers will count.....	40
4. Each dollar paid on arrearsages by present subscribers will count.....	25
5. Each dollar paid on new advertising secured by the contestants or their friends will count.....	50
6. Each dollar for new advertising secured by such written contract as shall be acceptable to us will count.....	25
7. Each dollar paid for job printing will count.....	25

CONDITIONS.

Contestants must note these conditions carefully as they must be observed to the letter.

1. Votes once credited to one contestant cannot be withdrawn and given to another.
2. Subscriptions discontinued and begun again during the contest will be credited at the renewal rate, even though they may have come in under another name in the same family.
3. If a subscriber is in arrears and pays up to date and one or more years in advance, the amount to date will be received as arrears and the balance as a renewal, as per schedule for counting.
4. Credit on advertising must be for space actually secured by contestants and does not apply in any way to our present advertising. Any increased business which may be secured from our present advertisers will be counted, but no credit will be allowed on money paid for regular space now carried. Should any of our regular advertisers discontinue their advertising and begin again during the life of the contest, such will not be considered new business and no credit will be allowed.
5. The same applies to job printing as to advertising. All must be new work. No credit will be given on any work already secured by the office.
6. The standing of each contestant will be published each week.
7. The Contest will close about June 20. The exact date will be given later. The Excursion will be as soon after the closing date as possible.

Bethel News St. Louis Coupon.

One Vote For

Address,

Worms

Hundreds of children and adults have worms, but are not treated for their diseases. The symptoms are—indigestion, with a variable appetite; fond for the sweets; breath; hard and full belly with occasional griping and pain about the navel; eyes heavy and dull; itching of the nose; short, dry cough; grinding of the teeth; starting during sleep; slow fever; and often in children, convulsions.

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Special treatment for Tape Worms. Free Pamphlet.

GROVER HILL.

Mrs. Joseph Young, Mr. A. B. Grover and family and Mrs. Peter Wheeler, have been ill with the grip for the past week.

Mrs. Frances Whitman is at work for Prof. F. E. Hanscom for a while.

Frank Powers has rented Edwin Smith's farm for a year.

N. A. Stearns was in Portland Saturday.

Roy Grover and Fred Mundt are cutting cord wood for E. Smith.

Miss Gwendolyn Stearns was in Gilead also Bryant's Pond Saturday.

Last winter Mr. Van Buren Grover of Halifax, Mass., aged 79 years, made a table composed of 200 pieces from 20 different varieties of wood, namely: red cedar, yellow mulberry, holly, button wood, gray birch, yellow birch, Lombardy poplar, common poplar, red oak, white pine, hard pine, peach, Massachusetts cedar, black walnut, box wood, white wood, lignum vitae, bird's eye maple and ash. These are placed together like a piece of wood beautifully striped, and showing the natural shades of the wood through the varnish. This table Mr. Grover recently presented to his nephew and niece Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Grover.

S. A. Lyons of Auburn was in town over Sunday.

NORTH ALBANY.

F. E. Foster moved C. W. Brown's goods to Norway, Monday.

Mrs. Burt Brown returned home from Newburyport, Mass., last week.

Johnnie Kimball struck his knee with a birch hook inflicting a painful wound recently.

C. P. Pingree was in South Paris and Norway last Saturday.

Leslie Kimball is quite ill with grip.

Miss Ida Haselton is teaching school in the Bennett district.

WILSON'S MILLS.

Leslie Hart is down from Camp-in-the-Meadows.

C. Jameson, Fred Powers of Colebrook, and M. D. Sturdivant of Magalloway Plantation, were in town Monday.

Walter Yates of Milan, N. H., passed through town, recently, on his way to Camp-in-the-Meadows, where he is going to work.

Charles Griffin of Milan, N. H., is in town.

M. C. Linnell has been having new floors laid, whitewashing done and otherwise renovating the house on the Bean place, which will be occupied by Rev. E. A. Tuck and family the coming year.

J. W. Buckman brought Wm. Whittemore out from Horn's camp Thursday with an arm badly swollen from the bite of a dog, and it was feared that blood poisoning might set in. His nephew, Orris Grover, came up and took him to his home in Errol, N. H.

The young people gave Bertha Storey a surprise party on her birthday, April 29. Quite a number were present and some very useful presents were given.

Born May 1, to Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Pennock, a daughter.

A Bethel Woman Asks.

"Have you a floor paint that will last two weeks?" Yes we have Devco's; it has a beautiful gloss and will wear two years if properly applied.

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J. E. Pike selling Boston Miss Grace her first term Hill.

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To the Public.

I desire to inform the public that I have purchased the CALVIN BISBEE STORE, in Bethel; and shall continue the same line of business as was carried on by Mr. Bisbee. I assure all that I shall endeavor to maintain the reputation of this store as far as is possible for me to do so, and I earnestly invite my share of the public trade.

Clarence K. Fox Bethel Me.

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One of the good things we have been looking for

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RUMFORD FALLS.

Henry Woods, who was formerly located in Rumford Falls as electrician for the Light & Water Company, is expected to arrive in town within a few days from Texas, where he has been for nearly four years in the employ of the Chisos Mining company at Purlingua, as storekeeper. He is now visiting the World's fair at St. Louis.

Mrs. Nahum Moore was in Buckfield last week to visit Mrs. John Moore, who is seriously ill, although she is a trifle more comfortable.

Mrs. Everett Josselyn of Portland is a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Bisbee for a brief stay. Mr. and Mrs. Josselyn have but just returned from their wedding trip.

Dr. C. M. Bisbee is able to be out again after an illness from grip. Mrs. Bisbee has also been ill with the epidemic.

Miss Alice, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney McDonald of Penobscot street, has been ill, but is now improved in health.

Mrs. John F. Rice of North Waterford is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. G. F. Stone.

The total receipts of the Clerk's Ball, says John B. Martin, the treasurer, were \$185, which is about \$30 more than the total expense of the affair.

Walter A. Vaughn, who has been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. Murray Travis for a few days, returned Thursday to his home in Farmington.

Cured his Mother of Rheumatism.

"My mother has been a sufferer for many years with rheumatism," says W. H. Howard, of Husband, Pa. "At times she was unable to move at all, while at all times walking was painful. I presented her with a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and after a few applications she decided it was the most wonderful pain reliever she had ever tried, in fact, she is never without it now and is at all times able to walk. An occasional application of Pain Balm keeps away the pain that she was formerly troubled with."

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

GRAFTON.

Very pleasant weather we have been having the last few days.

Mr. J. S. Lane of North Newry has been visiting at O. W. Brooks' the past week.

Carrie M. Brooks has been visiting her uncle A. F. Eames of Rumford.

Mr. A. L. Brooks recently purchased a pair of good work horses of Loring Trask of Newry.

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NORWAY.

John Walker has gone to Poland Spring, where he has had charge of the stables for a number of years.

Joseph P. Wiley of Fryeburg who has been working at Conway the past winter has returned to the Beal's Hotel. S. C. Starr whose place Mr. Wiley takes goes to Thomaston.

C. L. Hathaway is having the brick sidewalk extended in front of Fletcher's candy store.

A. J. Penley of South Paris has bought the Minard place on lower Main street near the Oxford line, and his partner in the meat business, Mr. Stimpson, is to move there.

Irene F. Hazen has gone to Otisfield Gore to teach school. This is her second year there.

The new highway from the lake road to the old Haskell place will be built as soon as the ground can be worked.

Mrs. George E. Tubbs goes to Portland every two weeks, where she has a good business in shampooing and the treatment of the hair and massage.

The store in the Odd Fellows block occupied by Thomas Smiley and the one lately occupied by the Smiley shoe store of which Thomas Smiley also has a new lease, are to be thrown into one large store, the work commencing immediately. The partition is to be removed, also the stairway to the proposed upper portion, and in the place of the central entrance is to be a display window.

The Oxford County Medical Association held its meeting at the Beal's Hotel, Tuesday. The Androscoggin County Medical Association was invited to be present. A banquet was served at 9:30 p.m.

Clevo Brown of Albany has moved into one of the Cummings rents on Whitman street, next to Irving Frost's.

Mrs. Linnie Bartlett is working in H. J. Bangs' store.

John W. Foley returned last week from the National Soldiers' Home at Togus, where he has been this winter.

\$100 Reward \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at last one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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to \$1.00 with Devoe's Gloss Carriage Paint. It weighs 8 to 8 ozs. more to the pint than others, wears longer and gives a gloss equal to new work. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

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Jokes should have points, but not stings.

When doctors fail try Burdock Blood Bitters. Cures dyspepsia, constipation; invigorates the whole system.

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Without any sense of humor life would be a cold, cheerless waste. It would be like traveling over the rocky road of life in a buggy without springs to it.

The Keeley Institute in Portland, Maine, on Munjoy Hill, is successfully curing drunkards and drug users.

Many a man possesses a big pile of money who was never worth two cents on his own merits.

No man can cure consumption. You can prevent it though. Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, asthma. Never fails.

Pedigree in a dog makes him valuable, but in a man it makes him very near worthless.

Don't let the little ones suffer from eczema or other torturing skin diseases. No need for it. Doan's Ointment cures. Can't harm the most delicate skin. At any drug store, 50 cents.

Sappy—Miss Chaffins is a jolly fine girl, don't yer know. Right up-to-date. Never minds my smoking even in her drawing room.

Miss Perleigh—So she was telling me the other day. She says you don't talk so much when you're smoking—Ally Sloper's Half-Holiday.

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If you are afraid of the truth it is proof that you are the guilty party.

Mothers! Mothers! Mothers!

How many children are at this season feverish and constipated, with bad stomach and headache. Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children will always cure. If worms are present they will certainly remove them. At all druggists, 25 cents. Samples mailed FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Don't allow the temporal cares of life to absorb all your sweetness.

Anything that is expensive is fashionable because it is expensive.

MILLIONAIRE AND HIS BANK.

How He Received His Money Though Vaults Were Closed.

A well-known millionaire hastily entered a few days ago the bank where he carried a large deposit. He had left his pocketbook home and wanted cash. The bank was sorry, but could not accommodate him. It was past 4 o'clock, the vaults were closed and the executive staff had gone home.

The subordinate officers held a quick council, and one of them thus described the result:

"We piled up every cent we had in our clothes, then we went through the clerks and had every man in the establishment turn his pockets inside out. The customer was many times a millionaire, and could secure from us any day whatever sum he needed. But the time locks were set, and the best we could do was \$50 in cash. He stuffed the roll in his pocket and hurriedly went on his way. We did not even ask for a memorandum, knowing that he detested details, and that a subsequent word with his secretary was all that would be necessary to reimburse the bank."

The incident may be taken as illustrating, first, the limit which is drawn in the control of banks by great financiers, of which so much has been lately heard; second, the advisability of presenting checks before 3 p. m., and third, the absorbing power of great wealth and credit over the surplus cash of small capitalists.—New York Evening Post.

Our Increasing Wealth.

"The Progress of the United States in its Material Industries" is the title of a statistical statement presented through an interesting report of the Department of Commerce and Labor. The financial, industrial and commercial condition of the country are included in the tables, which give opportunity to compare present conditions with those of earlier years. In area, for example, the total in 1903 is 3,025,600 square miles, against 2,680,595 square miles in 1850, and 827,844 square miles in 1800. These figures do not include Alaska or the islands belonging to the United States.

The population in 1903 is stated at 80,372,000, against 23,191,876 in 1850, and 5,308,483 in 1800. The wealth of the country is stated at 94 billions of dollars in 1900, and presumably 100 billions would not be an unreasonable estimate for 1903, while for 1850 the wealth of the country stood at 7 billion dollars, no estimate being given for any year earlier than 1850. The per capita wealth is set down at \$1,235 in 1900 and \$307 in 1850, having thus more than quadrupled meantime.—Harper's Weekly.

Three Strange Will.

Recently a very singular case of willmaking came to light in an English court. A lady, possessed of considerable property, was paralyzed, so she sent for her solicitor to dispose of her estate. Bereft of speech, she was unable to give directions. The solicitor wrote down the various items on so many cards; then on other cards he wrote the names of the lady's family. That done, he "dealt" the cards. As he did so his client couched property with names, and he was able to draw up the will. It was declared good by the court.

Ingenuity runs to madness at times in the conditions imposed in wills. A trial in court some years ago was to test the legality of a will which stipulated that to inherit the prospective legatee must drink all the water in a certain sea. Fortunately for common sense, the court awarded the legacy without stipulation.

A miserly rich man by will directed his son and heir to put \$5,000 from the estate into the father's coffin. The canny heir wrote out a check for the amount and buried that with his parent.

1,065 Miles on Snowshoes.

Nearly every camp in the Yukon territory has been visited this winter by the Rev. John Pringle, who made the trip of 1,065 miles on snowshoes. Mr. Pringle, who is the counselor for this Canadian territory, reports on the new diggings as most promising, and that it is his confirmed belief that the district will rival the Klondike. This view is held by many others. The mining outlook for the territory is bright, and miners are much more contented than at any time since the discovery of gold in 1896. Eight to ten thousand men are expected to go into the new diggings this season.

Novel Wedding Innovations.

At weddings both rice and confetti are being superseded by charming porte-bonneurs in the shape of horse-shoes and slippers made of gold and silver paper, or tinsel gauze, mounted on something fairly stiff. At a very smart function a shower of scented rose petals covered the flight of the "happy pair" as they sought a refuge in their "coach and four." Between friends an interchange of luck consists in giving a porte-bonheur in the shape of the "nests" of little Kat, oches, or Russian peanuts, made in carved silver. They fit into each other, about six being in a nest, and very quaint and funny they look when set out "all in a row."—Paris Fashion.

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HALL'S VEGETABLE SICILIAN Hair Renewer

Perhaps you like your gray hair; then keep it. Perhaps not; then remember—Hall's Hair Renewer always restores color to gray hair. Stops falling hair, also.

Planting Potatoes.

We do not want to get nervous until there is need of it, but really we hope that Maine farmers will not over do the business of planting potatoes this year. Just because Brother Smith of Vassalboro had a tremendous yield and got an unusual price, and Commissioner Gilman raised 1220 bushels on four acres, which he has just sold for a dollar a bushel, while a near neighbor raised 1250 bushels on three acres and 95 square rods, and both of the last two named are planning to more than double their acreage this season, is no reason why everyone should go into this profitable crop. There are lots of other things that will grow in this climate and prove profitable besides potatoes. Cabbage, properly cultivated, will average as well for a cash crop as potatoes. The same is equally true of squash and onions, and yet it really looks as though half the farmers in Central Maine at least, would stake their all on the potato crop. Aroostook farmers used to base their calculations on what would be done in New York and the west, but if present plans are carried out, they have got to look to western Maine, for competition is sure from their own State.

This almost universal practice of planting what has proved to be a successful crop the preceding year is wholly at variance with the custom adopted by the late Hon. I. C. Libby. When potatoes sold at top notch he always advised his friends to plant light the succeeding year, and go strong on some other crop. He said that he made note of the fact that the same crop would not prove unusually profitable hardly ever two years in succession. But if for any reason the second year was successful, the third was dead sure to prove a miserable failure. We recall one year when hay was very low. He sent word to his sons in Aroostook county to buy all the hay they could possibly find storage room for, and if necessary, to hire barns to store it. By this method he got a very large amount of fine quality hay, and the next season he sold it, in some cases to the very men he bought it of, and they paid good interest on the investment. This is the kind of farming that pays. It is as much of an art to know when to sell as it is to know how to plant, grow and harvest—Turf, Farm and Home.

An Open Letter.

From the Chapin, S. C., News: Early in the spring my wife and I were taken with diarrhoea and so severe were the pains we called a physician who prescribed for us, but his medicines failed to give any relief. A friend who had a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy on hand gave each of us a dose and we at once felt the effects. I procured a bottle and before using the entire contents we were entirely cured. It is a wonderful remedy and should be found in every household. H. C. Bailey, Editor. This remedy is for sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

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Definition of a Kiss.

Kiss is a noun, it is a name; proper noun because it's the only proper thing when they are ready and the heart is willing; plural number because two perform it, common gender, because it is performed by one of each sex; possessive case, because it possesses a delicate infatuation for the human race and agrees with the parties performing the act. Kissing is closely connected with "buss," which is a good old backwoods expression meaning a kiss that is highly enjoyed by two greenhorns who have powerful lungs to perform the act with. In this case buss means one kiss; rebuss means kiss again; pluribus means a number of kisses; hornibus means to be caught by the old folks; merribus means to steal a kiss; symplibus means to kiss the hands instead of the lips; blunderbus means to kiss an old maid by mistake, and omnibus means to kiss all present, including the mother-in-law.—EX.

Whooping Cough.

"In the spring of 1901 my children had whooping cough," says Mrs. D. W. Capps, of Capps, Ala. "I used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy with the most satisfactory results. I think this is the best remedy I have ever used for whooping cough." This remedy keeps the cough loose, lessens the severity and frequency of the coughing spells and counteracts any tendency toward pneumonia.

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To Young Men.

The young man of to-day is asking the question: "What shall I do?" No one can answer this question but yourself, and the sooner you answer it and act upon your decision the better it will be for you. Make up your mind to do something that will be honorable, and do it quickly and persistently. Remember that every record to true success runs through a high and righteous purpose. Don't wait for something to turn up like Micawber did, but go out and turn it up and if you don't turn it up, someone else will.

The world admires and applauds a hustler, and there is no promise anywhere of success to either the lazy man or the coward. Courage is as necessary to success in the peaceful pursuits of life as on the battlefield, and in neither place can victory be achieved without it. The world is full of successful men and women who got there by courage, industry, and honesty, and the shores of time are strewn with the wrecks of lives who lacked these winning qualities. Success knocks at the door of everyone, and he who succeeds welcomes it and embraces the opportunity offered, while he who fails in the battle of life had not the courage to enter the field and strive for the prize.—EX.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed executrix of the last will and testament of

CHARLES F. LORD, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and gives bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. Eleonora B. Lord, April 19, 1904.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of MELITA W. PINGREE, late of Albany, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and gives bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. Charles F. Pingree, April 19, 1904.

PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four, the following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Bethel News, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of May, A. D. 1904 at 1 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

RUELL COFFREN, late of Upton, deceased, and petition for probate thereof, presented by Hollis I. Abbott, the executor therein named.

ALBION P. BLAKE, late of Bethel, deceased; first and private account presented for allowance by Gilman L. Blake, administrator.

WILLIAM P. HEMMINGWAY, late of Upton, deceased; first account presented by Hollis I. Abbott, administrator.

STEPHEN A. STEPHENS, late of Bethel, deceased; first account presented for allowance by Ellery C. Park, administrator.

DEBORAH H. NEWHALL, late of Andover, deceased; final account presented for allowance by Frederick B. Hutchings, administrator.

FRANKLIN M. DEWEY, Judge of the Androscoggin Probate Court, Acting in Interchange. A true copy—Attest: ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

NOISE-PROOF DWELLING.

Millionaire Not Disturbed by Noises From Inside or From Outside

Not every man whose nerves are on edge can withdraw into a "sound-proof" of his own devising and shut out the jar and jangle of the world. One man at least in the big noisy city of Boston has a refuge of this sort, and he, needless to say, is a millionaire, who, with his millions accumulated a terrific case of "nerves." He is a well-known newspaper figure, a philanthropic bequest, but all his money is powerless to prevent an overworked nervous system from transmitting exasperating tortures at sounds that an ordinary man hardly hears.

The ordinary man, if he did suffer from nerves, probably would have to squirm and bear his sufferings, but this millionaire's wealth assures him some solace. He has built for himself in the very heart of town a retreat where noise is a vain besieger, and the few sounds that pass the guards and barriers are toned down to faint whispers.

The retreat is a wing of his great mansion and all that money could secure and human ingenuity devise has been used to insure a restful calm. The walls and the floors are thick enough for a fortress. What would be partitions in an ordinary house are solid brick walls here. Each room in fact, is practically a cube of solid masonry, and pandemonium could break out in one room without an echo of it penetrating to the adjoining room.

The necessary doors and windows are unique. Each window has three sets of sashes and glass and the doors look exactly like the huge steel wings of a modern bank vault. On each side of the hard wood door proper, which the thickness of the walls permit being hung in a deep jamb, there is attached to it an upholstered frame, eight inches in thickness, which fits snugly around the edge of the door when closed. This protection means that in order to penetrate to one of the rooms the sound waves must first pass through an eight-inch cushion, next three inches of hard wood and then another eight-inch cushion.

This cushioned door is used in every room whence a disagreeable noise might issue. The eerie song of the electric elevator is thus shut off, the clatter and chatter of the chef's domain are circumscribed, and the grating clang of the engineer shoveling coal down in the basement is confined to its subterranean quarters. Over the courts and areas are heavy glass awnings to confine the voices of servants and tradespeople. A slammed door is impossible, as every door in the house is fitted with an automatic closer and door check, and if this should fail there is the additional precaution of felt strings nailed to the door and the edge of the jamb.

One of the most difficult noises to overcome proved to be that caused by the handling of the family's trunks. Although the baggage room is far down in the sub-basement, whenever a trunk was dropped on the floor or was banged against the walls by careless expressmen the master's nerves recorded that fact in no pleasant manner.

Many experiments were tried before the noise emanating from this department, could be suppressed. The cost of these experiments amounted to several thousands of dollars, for the baggage room was reconstructed again and again, until finally it was floored with cork to the depth of a foot and the side walls cushioned with springs and heavy padding.

The result of all these devices is to produce in the house a quiet akin to that of an empty cathedral, but in the rooms devoted to the sick man's personal use there is a silence which is weird and unnatural. No echo or murmur of the familiar street sounds enters here. The stillness is so intense as to be almost oppressive. It would make the normal person long for the companionship of everyday sounds. But the silence is medicine to the afflicted millionaire and provides rest for his nerve-racked body.—New York Press.

Tribe Gradually Dying.

Samoyeds, a race of Mongolians inhabiting the shores of the Arctic ocean, maintain themselves by hunting and fishing. They make use of the same implements in bone and stone, besides cherishing the same superstitions, as were current in the stone age among the inhabitants of western Europe. They clothe themselves in reindeer skins. In fine weather they wear the hair outside, and when it is wet the tunic is reversed. This interesting race is gradually dying out, owing partly to a scourge of smallpox which makes ravages among them, and also to their fondness for raw spirits, which leads them to degradation and misery, as the Russian merchants take advantage of this to cheat them when bartering for valuable skins and walrus teeth. In fact, to such an extent do these traders dupe them that the Samoyeds sometimes are reduced to a state of famine and have recourse to cannibalism. This seems to account for the name Samoyed, which was given them by the Russians, and which signifies in their language self-eating. Every year in mid-Lent these queer-looking people travel down in their reindeer sledges from Archangel to St. Petersburg and take up their abode temporarily on the frozen river Neva, where they build themselves circular huts composed of a framework of poles, over which are stretched reindeer skins. Here they traffic for the products of civilization.

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PHOTOGRAPHING THE STARS.

Cameras Take Pictures of Stars Not Seen Through the Telescope.

It has been well remarked that the introduction of the dry photographic plate in the observatory has marked as great an advance in the practical art of the astronomer as did the invention of the telescope in the state of astronomy which preceded the employment of that wonderful instrument. Every day that passes seems to make this statement more true. We are continually finding that the other methods of investigation are being superseded. The astronomer used formerly to make careful measurements of the distance of the stars from one another by the aid of a delicate measuring apparatus at the eye end of his telescope. Now, he not infrequently rejects that measuring apparatus altogether and adjusts a plate-holder on the end of the telescope instead. Into that plate-holder he puts the most sensitive plate that chemical skill can provide.

It is under such circumstances that the great size of the object-glass proves of so much advantage. On its broad surface the rays of light from a small star are collected and converged to a focus on the plate, and in this way they form the image of the star. Even though the light be thus concentrated, it will generally be found that some of the stars are so faint that their pictures will not be secured unless the exposure is continued for many minutes, or sometimes even for several hours. But when the light has been allowed time to act, the astronomer obtains on his photographic plate an absolutely faithful chart of the heavens. Engraved on that chart he finds not only the stars which his naked eye could show him, not only the stars which are discernible when his visual power receives the assistance of the telescope, he finds also innumerable other stars too faint to be perceived even by the greatest instrument.—Cosmopolitan.

Why Autos Are Expensive.

Now that people are so keenly bent on discovering the cheap motor-car, it is well to emphasize the fact that power, weight and speed all mean expense; and expense not in first cost only, or even chiefly, but in upkeep. The man of small means who is content with a six horse-power voltrette weighing six or seven hundred weight, and who will drive it at a moderate speed, will, if he has bought a soundly constructed car at the outset, find his motoring both enjoyable and inexpensive. But if the same man drives hard and does not study the welfare of his tires in his handling of the car he will discover that his expenditure runs up surprisingly.

Further, the expense of motoring mounts rapidly with the increase in the size, weight and speed of the car. The tires suffer more, the gears wear more quickly, and the consumption of fuel is greater—in each respect the up-keep is much heavier than the increase of horse-power weight and speed over those of a voltrette would seem to justify. The reputation which motoring has achieved for costliness is in large part due to non-realization of these facts. Had those who had found it expensive kept to a smaller, lighter car and a lower speed, much more satisfactory results would be shown.—London Telegraph.

Panama Hotel Owned by Woman.

The first person to open an American plain hotel in Panama was a woman, Mrs. Smith, of Osceola. Mrs. Smith was a widow without issue, and so far as we know without blood relations, and made a success at the venture. She intended returning to St. Clair county and ending her days here, and with this object in view sent back money to be invested here, erecting the Commercial Hotel in Osceola. She died in Panama City, however, and her remains were buried there.—St. Clair County (Mo.) Democrat.

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